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FOR T. - MR. MAW AND S/P - MR. LORD ONLY

FROM LOSDEL AMBASSADORS STEVENSON AND MOORE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LOS: SPEECH

REF: (A) GENEVA 2675; (B) GENEVA 2751

1. REFTEL (A) AND (B) CONTAINS OUR SUGGESTED TEXT FOR PROPOSED SECRETARY'S SPEECH. THIS TEXT REFLECTS THE CURRENT SITUATION IN THE GENEVA LOS NEGOTIATIONS. OUR ASSESSMENT OF THE STATE-OF-PLAY HERE IS THAT WE ARE NOW LIKELY TO ACHIEVE A SINGLE TEXT FOR NEGOTIATING MOST OF THE MAIN ISSUES BEFORE THE CONFERENCE PREPARED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEES.

2. IN THIS CONTEXT WE BELIEVE THAT A SPEECH BY THE SECRETARY WOULD PRODUCE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

- IT WOULD BE WELCOMED BY CONGRESS AND THE PRESS;

- IT WOULD HELP DRAW ATTENTION IN FOREIGN MINISTRIES TO LOS ISSUES AND IN PARTICULAR OUR VIEWS FOR A BALANCED AND COMPREHENSIVE CONVENTION;

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- IT WOULD PUBLICLY REINFORCE OUR WILLINGNESS
TO MAKE EFFORTS AT ACCOMMODATION.

3. ON BALANCE WE THEREFORE BELIEVE THAT A SPEECH BY
THE SECRETARY DURING THIS SESSION CAN BE VERY HELPFUL.
HOWEVER, GIVEN THE PRESENT NEGOTIATING SITUATION WE
SHOULD NOT EXPECT IMMEDIATE MAJOR MOVEMENT HERE IN
GENEVA AS AN END RESULT. WE CAN HOWEVER HOPE THAT IT
WILL HAVE SOME INFLUENCE IN CAPITALS AND PARTICULARLY
WITH FOREIGN MINISTERS.

4. WE ARE PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR DEPARTMENT SHARING
WITH US SPEECH TEXT, ESPECIALLY SINCE LOS INVOLVES A
LARGE NUMBER OF HIGHLY TECHNICAL AND SENSITIVE MATTERS
AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING ON ANY SUBSEQUENT TEXTS
AS NECESSARY. DALE

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